



County of Orange

MEMO

DATE: October 3, 2011

TO: Development Processing Review Committee

FROM: Rick LeFeuvre, Director, OC Public Works/OC Planning

SUBJECT: DPRC Meeting Minutes – September 8, 2011

A meeting of the Development Processing Review Committee was held on Thursday, September 8, 2011, at 8:30 a.m. in the H. G. Osborne Building, on the Eighth Floor, in Executive Conference Room 808.

The following persons were in attendance:

MEMBERS

Michael Recupero – Recupero & Associates, Inc. (1st District)
Jay Bullock – Planning Solutions, (Chair) (2nd District)
Joe Lambert – Construction Planning Services (3rd District)
Carl Taylor – Huitt-Zollars, Inc. (Vice-Chair) (4th District)
Thomas Grable – Tri-Pointe Homes (5th District)

GUESTS

Rosette Sunio – Guest of Carl Taylor
Jessica Toohey – Huitt-Zollars, Inc.

STAFF

Michael Balsamo – Manager, OC Planning/OC Communities
Judy Kim – OC Community Development/Customer Care/Permit Services
David Shepherd – Manager, OC Planning/OC Planned Communities/Land Use Planned Communities
Hadi Tabatabaee – Orange County Building Official, OC Public Works

MEMBERS ABSENT

Lee Lowrey – Lowrey Pacific Capital (1st District)
Jackie Hare – J. L. Hare Associates, Inc. (2nd District)
Rick Fitch – Hunsaker & Associates (3rd District)
Fred Ameri – RBF Consulting (5th District)

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes for August 11, 2011

The meeting minutes for August 11, 2011 were moved for approval by Tom Grable and seconded by Carl Taylor.

2. Planning Division Update

Michael Balsamo reported the following:

- Hadi Tabatabaee facilitated a training session with Southern California Edison regarding the new energy-saving guidelines. Energy Commissioners and city representatives were also present to ensure that they will be able

to comply with the new requirements, which are expected to become more restrictive in 2012. Hadi reported that although there will no significant Code changes, we can expect more strict surveillance of the application of these requirements. Hadi will pull together an information handout for the DPRC.

- Supervisor Campbell recently went to Sacramento to address the \$48 million budget cut implemented by the State. Public Works is currently working on budget planning solutions to make up for its share of reductions in this County-wide hit.
- As the Planning Commission has expressed their support of the Parking Ordinance update, staff is currently working on fine-tuning the details as they hope to present to the Board of Supervisors by the end of the year.
- Erik Hull is the new Neighborhood Preservation manager.

3. Water Quality Presentation

Michael Recupero provided a brief presentation regarding Water Quality Regulations and Regional Board issues in Orange County.

- Pursuant to the State mandated water quality regulations, WQMPs are intended to minimize pollutants and runoff for new development and significant redevelopment projects.
- The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) enforces these regulations and requires that a WQMP be prepared when a project is considered a "Priority Project," per North and South County standards. The WQMP is intended to describe the Best Management Practices (BMPs) to be utilized on the construction site.
- Emphasis needs to be on addressing unintended consequences of new permits and inconsistencies with other regulatory agencies. Customers are struggling to find practical ways to comply with retention requirements.

4. Other Business

As OC Public Works is currently working on updating the Standard Plans manual, Carl Taylor suggested that Hadi Tabatabaee and Mahrooz Ilkhanipour be additional reviewers regarding various standards related to development activity.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Development Processing Review Committee will be held on Thursday, October 13, 2011, at 8:30 am.